

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**

Attorney's Docket No.  
032005-032

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;  
I BELIEVE I AM THE ORIGINAL, FIRST AND SOLE INVENTOR (if only one name is listed below) OR AN ORIGINAL,  
FIRST AND JOINT INVENTOR (if more than one name is listed below) OF THE SUBJECT MATTER WHICH IS  
CLAIMED AND FOR WHICH A PATENT IS SOUGHT ON THE INVENTION ENTITLED:

DEVICE AND METHOD FOR FACILITATING HEMOSTASIS OF A BIOPSY TRACT

the specification of which

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is attached hereto;

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was filed on August 24, 1999 as

Application No. 09/382,160

and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_;  
(if applicable)

I HAVE REVIEWED AND UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED SPECIFICATION,  
INCLUDING THE CLAIMS, AS AMENDED BY ANY AMENDMENT REFERRED TO ABOVE;

I ACKNOWLEDGE THE DUTY TO DISCLOSE TO THE OFFICE ALL INFORMATION KNOWN TO ME TO BE  
MATERIAL TO PATENTABILITY AS DEFINED IN TITLE 37, CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, Sec. 1.56 (as  
amended effective March 16, 1992);

I do not know and do not believe the said invention was ever known or used in the United States of America before my or  
our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention  
thereof or more than one year prior to said application; that said invention was not in public use or on sale in the United  
States of America more than one year prior to said application; that said invention has not been patented or made the  
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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code Sec. 119 and/or Sec. 365 of any foreign  
application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate as indicated below and have also identified below any foreign application  
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